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MEMORANDUM FOR: IWG Members  
Mr. Spencer M. Beresford, FOA/MDAC  
Mr. Douglas G. Coster, State/EWS

SUBJECT : Clearance for [ ] date of information, early February, 1954 25X1A2g

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2. a. The subject communication refers to the transaction reported in [ ] (see memorandum for IWG Members of 5 February 1954, Control No. 447398).

b. The firm, WARMEX, 32 Rue de Zurich, Geneva, has also been reported as attempting to divert 1500 tons of Turkish copper to Poland via Yugoslavia (see Basel D-53, 2 February 1954). It was reported to have chartered the S/S Jura, of Swiss ownership, for the shipment of 875 tons of copper wire by AGENCE GENERALE INDUSTRIELLE BELGE, Brussels to Gdynia in September 1953 (see Antwerp D-112, 21 September 1953).

Trieste D-57, 26 August 1953 reported the firm to be on a list of firms and individuals known or suspected of having forwarded Yugoslav commodities to the Bloc. Warmex is on the Commerce Check List.

c. The firm, ARBITRAGE AND FINANZ of Geneva, has appeared in a number of reports on diversions of strategic materials to the Bloc.

3. It is requested that this Agency be advised of use of the foregoing information by the addressees of this memorandum.

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Executive Secretary  
Intelligence Working Group

Enclosure (1)

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